

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA**

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EMPLOYEES IN ROAD MOTOR TRANSPORT ESTABLISHMENT .

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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of employees working in buses and trucks run by private operators in India;
- (b) the measures adopted to ensure their service related security;
- (c) the provisions made in respect of their provident fund and insurance;
- (d) the details of deposits and withdrawal from their provident fund account, State-wise; and
- (e) the details of defaulting private operators who have not deposited the required amount in the fund so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): As per available information, the freight segment of road transport industry, which employees around 5 million workers is totally in the private sector and almost entirely in the unorganized sector. The passenger segment is partly in public sector and partly in private. The State Transport Undertakings (STUs) collectively employ nearly 8 lakh workers and the private sector roughly 2 million.

(b) & (c): Social Security cover in the form of Provident Fund, Pension and Insurance cover is being extended to the workers as envisaged in the Employees' Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 by the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation.

The Employees' Provident Fund Scheme, 1952 lays down several provident benefits to the members, which they can avail as per provisions of the Scheme. Apart from that, all Provident Fund members are entitled for Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance benefits which ensures a death insurance benefit equal to the amount standing to their credit in their Provident Fund accounts subject to a maximum of Rs.60,000/-. In addition, the members are also entitled for various Pension benefits as envisaged under the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995.

(d) & (e): The details of contribution collected from the establishments covered under the Employees' Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 including from the establishments covered under the schedule head 'Road Motor Transport establishment' during the financial year 2000-2001 is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Employees' Provident Fund Scheme	10,728.44
Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995	4,222.61
Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme, 1976.	139.36

Total:- Rs.15,090.41

As and when a claim is received in respect of any member of the Fund, the same is settled as per rules. The details of claims with respect to all establishments settled as on 31.03.2001 is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Provident Fund Claims	4,186.26
Partial Withdrawal/Advances	1,056.81
Employees Pension Scheme claims	1,242.27
Monthly Pension claims	777.52
EDLI claims	44.53

Total:- Rs.7,307.39

The details of State-wise deposits/withdrawal and defaulting private operators are not readily available.